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PRESIDENT MOUL: (Mike not activated immediately.) ...to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain for this morning is Pastor Mel Lutchens, Executive Director of Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska. Pastor Lutchens.

PASTOR LUTCHENS: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Pastor Lutchens. I now call to order the forty-fourth day of the Ninety-Second Legislature, Second Session. We will proceed with roll call. Please record your presence.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The Journal is approved. Are there any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: LR 264, LR 266, LR 267 are ready for your signature. I have amendments from Senator Robinson to LB 1272A, Madam President. That's all that I have. (See page 1372 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. While the Legislature is in session and capable of conducting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 264, LR 266 and LR 267. (See page 1372 of the Legislative Journal.) We'll proceed with Item 5 on the agenda, LR 254.

CLERK: Madam President, new resolution, 254, introduced by Senator Rogers. It's found on page 1156 of the Journal. (Read brief description of resolution.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Rogers.

SENATOR ROGERS: Madam President, members, whereas, agriculture is recognized as Nebraska's most important single industry and is the backbone of the state's economy; and whereas, the Nebraska culture heritage is founded on a strong rural